

Proposed Preliminary Amendment (Total 2 sheets)

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even if the absorbing speed of the absorbent polymer powder 3 exceeds the discharging speed of the discharged fluids (sic)

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On the other hand, in the case of the absorbent polymer powder present (sic) areas

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On the other hand, in the case of the absorbent polymer powder absent areas

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the second hotmelt adhesive layer S2 may be formed only in the absorbent polymer powder areas (sic) 2c as described above. Alternatively, the second hotmelt adhesive layer S2 may be so formed as to cover not only the absorbent polymer powder areas (sic) 2c,

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an absorbent polymer powder feeding device 11 for continuously feeding the absorbent polymer powder 3 to the upper surface of the running first nonwoven fabric 2 to adhere them to the first hotmelt adhesive layers S,

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an absorbent polymer powder feeding device 11 for continuously feeding the absorbent polymer powder 3 to the upper surface of the running first nonwoven fabric 2 to adhere them to the first hotmelt adhesive layers S1,

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the bonding device 13A (see FIG. 11B) is comprised of a metallic flat roller 13a at lower side and a metallic stepped roller 8b (sic)

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the bonding device 13A (see FIG. 11B) is comprised of a metallic flat roller 13a at lower side and a metallic stepped roller 13b

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However, it is preferable to use it with the first nonwoven fabric 4 (sic)

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However, it is preferable to use it with the first nonwoven fabric 2